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Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

- We are transmitting herewith the attached: 1.
 - Response to the Restriction Requirement Mailed October 6, 2003; a)
 - With respect to fees: 2.
 - A fee is not required at this time. a)
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 5, 2003

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Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 6, 2003, Applicants elect group I (claims 1-32 and 52) with traverse.

If there are any questions or comments regarding this Response or application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney as indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 5, 2003

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